THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) The Central Government are implementing the following Schemes for the welfere of OBCs:–

(i) Pre-Matric Scholarship.

(ii) Post-Matric Scholarship.

(iii) Hostels for OBC boys and girls with a view to provide residential facilities.

(iv) Assistance to Voluntary Organisations with the aim to involve the voluntary sector to improve educational and socio-economic conditions of the OBCs.

(v) National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation to provide financial assistance to OBCs under their educational loan Scheme.

(c) Achievements during the last 3 years are as under:–

Name of the Scheme	Year and No. of beneficiaries		
	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Post-Matric Scholarship	227980	163288	416768
Pre-Matric Scholarship	1287610	1328872	957338
Hostel Scheme	5821	7926	4520
Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Organisation	12367	7175	4316
NBCFDC	1980	774	1042

Hostels for SC/ST/OBC students in Rajasthan

2887. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received proposals from Rajasthan for sanction of Central assistance for construction of hostels for SC/ST/OBC students, under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes;

(b) if so, the present status of these proposals; and

(c) by when the Central assistance would be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) No proposal for construction of hostels for SCs and OBCs students has been received from the State Government of Rajasthan during the current financial year.